

# Academy for Science and Innovation (ASI) 2023 Community Partners Campaign

The Academy of Science and Innovation (ASI) at Austin High School fosters a students' innate curiosity to drive learning, emphasizes evidence-based thinking, and applies the scientific method to learning. **ASI students develop problem solving skills that help them observe, research, and understand our world.** They will graduate with tools and experiences that set them up for success in college and their careers. An important component to this 21<sup>st</sup>-century learning program is experiential learning outside the classroom. **Travel opportunities, field trips, and internships open students to new ideas, broadening their perspectives and allowing them to apply what they've learned in the classroom to the real world.**

## Sponsorship Levels

Sponsorship levels are named after the scientific method. The **CONCLUSION** of the Community Partner Campaign will be meaningful travel opportunities and experiences for ALL ASI students.

### **SUPPORTER: Any amount under \$250**

*ANY dollar amount makes a difference and is appreciated!*

### **PURPOSE SPONSOR: \$250**

*Sponsors a student's local field trips for all four years*

### **RESEARCH SPONSOR: \$500**

*Sponsors 1 freshman travel scholarship for the Texas Coast STEM trip*

### **HYPOTHESIS SPONSOR: \$1,000**

*Sponsors 2 sophomore travel scholarships for the NASA STEM trip*

### **EXPERIMENT SPONSOR: \$2,500**

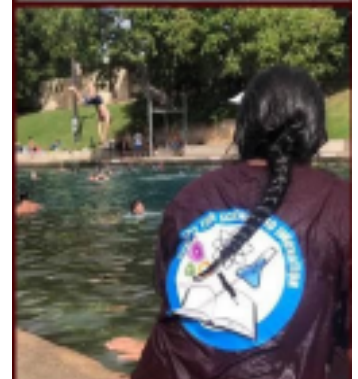
*Sponsors 2 junior travel scholarships for the San Francisco STEM trip*

### **RESULTS SPONSOR: \$5,000**

*Sponsors 1 junior or senior travel scholarships for the Panama STEM trip*

## **SPONSORSHIP INCENTIVES**

- Sponsor listing on the ASI website
- Recognition in ASI email and social media campaigns
- Recognition on sponsor banner at Austin High School
- Prominent placement for Hypothesis, Experiment, and Results sponsors



# ASI Community Partners FAQs

## WHAT IS THE COMMUNITY PARTNERS CAMPAIGN?

The Community Partners Campaign reaches out to families and businesses for monetary donations to help provide funding for travel scholarships, field trips, and other learning experiences for our ASI students. It also seeks to connect with local businesses and professionals for in-kind academy-specific resources like internships and speakers.

## WHY DO WE FUNDRAISE?

**More than 25% of our students require financial assistance** to participate in our academy related travel and field trip opportunities. Campaign funds help to ensure **equal opportunity** for all students, regardless of a student's ability to pay.

## HOW DO TRAVEL AND FIELD TRIPS BENEFIT STUDENTS?

Field trips and travel provide experiential learning opportunities that spark connections, inspire curiosity, cultivate confidence and self-awareness in students. These experiences also allow students to apply, in a real-world setting, the knowledge that they have learned in the classroom.

## WHAT OPPORTUNITIES WILL BE OFFERED? WHAT IS THE APPROXIMATE COST PER STUDENT?

- **FRESHMAN YEAR TEXAS COAST STEM TRIP:** Exploration in the Texas Coastal Region including Oso Bay Wetlands Preserve, King Ranch, Texas State Aquarium, and Mustang Island State Park where students learn about marine biology issues, human impact on wetlands and wildlife, and environmental stewardship; participate in a beach clean-up activity; participate in coastal camping, stargazing and team building activities - \$500
- **SOPHOMORE YEAR HOUSTON NASA STEM TRIP:** Participate in a NASA overnight adventure geared toward our science curriculum. Proposed trip still TBD- \$500
- **JUNIOR YEAR SAN FRANCISCO STEM TRIP:** Participate in STEM workshops, discuss the engineering marvels of the Golden Gate Bridge and of Lombard Street; visit the Exploratorium; visit Stanford University where they will learn about engineering, computer science, and biomedical sciences programs; visit a redwood forest; tour the Marine Mammal Center and learn about rescuing, rehabilitating, and researching marine mammals - \$1,800
- **JUNIOR YEAR BOSTON STEM TRIP:** Participate in a workshop at an MIT laboratory, experience at a hands-on robotics workshop at FIRST Robotics, and learn about U.S. STEM legislation and policy at the Edward M. Kennedy Institute in Boston - \$1,700
- **JUNIOR YEAR PANAMA INTERNATIONAL STEM TRIP:** \*Seniors will be included in the 2024 & 2025 trips\* Participate in a biologist-led boat ride of the Panama Canal, learn about Caribbean coast ecosystems at a tropical research station, take part in an interactive STEM workshop and conduct wetlands field work, visit the Panama Viejo Ruins and Biomuseo, go on an expert led tour of Metropolitan Natural Park, and enjoy a folklore dinner and show -\$3,900

## WHO QUALIFIES FOR A SCHOLARSHIP?

Scholarships are available to students of low-income families or students whose families are going through a life event that causes financial hardship (i.e. family member illness, job layoff, etc.). Confidential scholarship application forms are available. All families who receive a scholarship are expected to contribute a minimum of 10% of the trip's cost.



# ASI Community Partners Sponsorship Form

**Sponsorship Deadline: December 31, 2023**

**Option 1:** Make an online donation at <https://form.jotform.com/232425831388157>

**Option 2:** Using the same link above, please indicate you will be paying by check.

- Make check payable to **AHS ACADEMIES BOOSTER CLUB Inc**; write **ASI COMMUNITY PARTNERS** in memo line
- Mail the check and this form to Emily S. Mika, Treasurer, AHS Academies Booster Club ASI, 3901 Idlewild Road, Austin, TX 78731

Donor Name (exactly as it is to appear on print materials): \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**My company/family would like to support ASI at the following level:**

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**RESULTS SPONSOR: \$5,000**

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**My company matches donations! Company Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**My company/I would like to make the following in-kind donation:**

Host a field trip for ASI students

Participate in the ASI Speaker Series

Offer an internship to an ASI student